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Subject: RE: US Steel NOV conference

Hala

Actually, US Steel said if the 15th doesn't work then they must delay the meeting until next year. Let me know what you think,

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To: Brian Dickens/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 11/23/2009 10:00 AM

Subject: RE: US Steel NOV conference

Hello Brian,

Thank you for your note. I, along with Bob Simmons and Dave Sampias, would be interested in attending the meeting. We are happy to host the meeting at the NWRO. Unfortunately, we are not available on December 15. Is there another date in mid December that will work?

Hala

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Subject: US Steel NOV conference

IDEM Colleagues:

You may remember we sent a Notice of Violation (NOV) to US Steel Gary works in June 2008 and held the NOV conference at the NW IDEM office in August 2008.

In April of this year EPA issued an NOV to Gary Works stemming from modifications to their Blast Furnace 13/14. We have not yet held an NOV conference for that issue.

Most recently, EPA issued NOVs to US Steel's Granite City, IL, and Ecorse, MI plants. These NOVs were much like the first Gary Works NOV in that they contain a broad mix of violations.

Because several of the issues overlap for the 3 plants, it makes sense to handle the cases concurrently. To that end, we asked US Steel if they would be interested in responding to the 3 outstanding NOVs altogether. We see this as a practical next step, to be followed by a discussion of remedy/settlement at a later date. US Steel agrees and has proposed a date of December 15 to respond to the 3 NOVs. We presume some of you may want to attend, at least for the Gary Works part, and, the NW IDEM office is a great central location for everyone.

Are any of you interested in attending the meeting? Is the 15th acceptable? Would you welcome the entire group to the NW office again?

Thanks,

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